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C O N F I D E N T I A L GENEVA 2731

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SUBJECT: ECE - 32ND SESSION - SOVIET VIEWS ON VARIOUS ISSUES

REF: A) GENEVA 2426; B) GENEVA 2500; C) GENEVA 2706

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH US MISSION OFFICER APRIL 13,  
SOVIET MISSION OFFICER (ZVEZDINE) CONFIRMED THAT SOVIET  
DELEGATION TO ECE 32ND SESSION WOULD BE HEADED BY  
VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS N.N. RADIONOV. MFA  
INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR A.E. NESTERENKO  
WILL AGAIN BE DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE. ZVEZDINE SAID THAT  
USSR DELEGATION WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY SAME SIZE AS AT  
31ST SESSION (18, NOT INCLUDING BYELORUSSIAN SSR AND  
UKRANIAN SSR). MFA CSCE BASKET II EXPERT POJARSKY  
WILL ALSO BE INCLUDED AMONG SOME 10-12 OFFICIALS COMING FROM  
MOSCOW. ZCEZDINE WAS ANXIOUS TO KNOW NAME OF US REP AND  
MISSION OFFICER SAID HE WOULD ADVISE AS SOON AS THIS HAD  
BEEN DETERMINED.

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2. ZVEZDINTAEAGER TO KNOW WHETHER THERE  
HAD BEEN ANY CHANGE IN US POSITION WITH REGARD TO  
SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR ALL-EUROPEAN CONGRESSES ON ENVIRONMENT,  
TRANSPORT AND ENERGY AND WAS INFORMED THAT THERE HAD NOT.  
ZVEZDINE SAID USSR WAS HOPEFUL THAT SOME COMPROMISE  
SOLUTION COULD BE REACHED AT 32ND SESSION AND HOPED  
SECOND SOVIET LETTER HAD BEEN HELPFUL. HE SAID THAT

WHILE HE COULD NOT SPEAK AUTHORITATIVELY, HE THOUGHT USSR SAW NO CONFLICT BETWEEN SOVIET PROPOSAL AND STANOVNIK PROPOSAL (IN E/ECE/911) FOR HIGH LEVEL MEETINGS, ALTHOUGH IT WAS NOT CLEAR THAT STANOVNIK PROPOSAL CALLED FOR MEETINGS OF LEVEL ENVISAGED BY USSR. ZVEZDINE ASKED ABOUT US POSITION ON NORWEGIAN PROPOSAL FOR HIGH LEVEL MEETING ON ONOORMRNTENSPORT OF AIR POLLUTANTS AND WAS INFORMED THAT US SUPPORTED NORWEGIAN PROPOSAL. HE ACKNOWLEDGED COMMON ELEMENTS IN SOVIET, STANOVNIK, FINNISH AND NORWEGIAN PROPOSALS AND SAID HE THOUGHT USSR WOULD NOT INSIST ON SEPARATE RESOLUTION ON ITS PROPOSAL IF AGREEMENT COULD BE REACHED ON HOLDING OF HIGH LEVEL MEETING OF TYPE SOVIETS ENVISAGED, FOR EXAMPLE, ON ENVIRONMENT. HOWEVER, SOVIET PROPOSAL HAD COME FROM ON HIGH (CHAIRMAN BREZHNEV) AND WOULD HAVE TO BE GIVEN DUE CREDIT IN ANY OVERALL RESOLUTION ON CSCE FOLLOW-UP AND FUTURE ECE ACTIVITIES.

3. ZVEZDINE CLAIMED THAT EASTERN COUNTRIES HAD NOT PREPARED DRAFT RESOLUTION SUCH AS THAT BEING PREPARED BY MEMBERS OF EUROPEAN COMMUNITIE (EC) BUT WERE WAITING TO SEE WHAT EC WOULD COME UP WITH. (HE WAS AWARE OF EXISTENCE OF EC DRAFT BUT GAVE NO INDICATION OF SPECIFIC KNOWLEDGE OF TEST.) HE EXPRESSED SURPRISE WHEN QUESTIONED ABOUT ROMANIAN DRAFT TRANSMITTED REF. C AND CLAIMED NO KNOWLEDGE THEREOF.

4. ZVEZDINE INQUIRED WHETHER US KNEW OF ANY OTHER RESOLUTIONS BEING PREPARED. HE WAS PARTICULARLY CONCERNED

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ABOUT POSSIBLE RESOLUTIONS ON PROGRAMS FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES OR MEDITERRANEAN. MISSION OFFICER RESPONDED THAT THERE WAS SOME INDICATION YUGOSLAVS MIGHT INTRODUCE SUCH RESOLUTION, BUT NO DRAFT HAD YET SURFACED.

5. ZVEZDINE DENIED THAT SOVIETS WISHES TO PROVIDE STANOVNIK WITH "GUIDELINES" FOR HIS REPORT TO BELGRADE CSCE REVIEW MEETING AND THOUGHT THEY WOULD GO ALONG WITH WESTERN VIEW THAT REPORT SHOULD BE PREPARED BY STANOVNIK ON HIS OWN INITIATIVE.

6. ZVEZDINE ALSO INQUIRED CONCERNING US VIEW ON PROPOSAL IN E/ECE/912 FOR IN-DEPTH CONSIDERATION IN SESSIONAL COMMITTEE OF PROGRAM OF WORK ON TRADE FROM POINT OF VIEW OF INTEGRATION AND COORDINATION AND ALSO FOR CONSIDERATION OF ACTION ON MULTI-DISCIPLINARY QUESTION OF LAND USE. ZVEZDINE EXPRESSED SOME DOUBT THAT SOVIET DEL WOULD BE PREPARED FOR SUCH DISCUSSION AT 32ND SESSION AND INDICATED THAT LAND USE QUESTION WAS OF LITTLE INTEREST.

7. COMMENT: ZVEZDINE'S REMARKS REINFORCE GENERAL  
VIEW IN GENEVA THAT SOVIETS ARE EAGER FOR DECISION  
ON THEIR CONGRESSES PROPOSAL AT ECE 32ND SESSION  
AND THAT TO THIS END THEY ARE WILLING TO  
SETTLE FOR RELATIVELY MINIMAL ACHIEVEMENT SUCH AS HIGH  
LEVEL MEETING ON ENVIRONMENT WITHIN ECE. GENERAL VIEW IS  
THAT SOVIETS ARE NOT WILLING TO PAY HIGH PRICE FOR THEIR  
PROPOSED CONGRESSES, HOWEVER, AND THAT RATHER THAN DOING SO  
WOULD BE CONTENT TO USE ISSUE TO TAR WEST WITH NEGATIVE  
ATTITUDE ON CSCE FOLLOW-UP AT BELGRADE MEETING.  
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